

**NEW HAMPSHIRE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
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CONCORD, NH 03301**

MEETING MINUTES –December 4, 2007

The December 4, 2007 meeting of the New Hampshire Board of Dental Examiners convened at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Eliot L. Paisner, DMD, President
Gerald A. Smith, DMD
Marshall A. Baldassarre, DMD
Linda M. Seedner, RDH
Stacy A. Plourde, RDH
Charles F. Post, DMD

Absent: Neil S. Hiltunen, DMD, Vice President, Ronald J. Hrinda, DMD, Hon. Vivian Desmarais, Public Member

The Board approved the minutes of November 5, 2007 as amended.

ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Statutes and Rules

a. Statutory Proposals

- 1) Dental Residencies – in process.
- 2) HB 1208 – This bill allows dental hygienist to engage in independent practice. The N.H. Dental Hygienists Association is not supporting HB 1208 at this time.
- 3) HB 1195 (FYI) – relative to health care reimbursement.
- 4) HB 1406 - Volunteer Healthcare Bill – The Board supports this bill with the following amendments:
 - a. Include dental hygienists as volunteers;
 - b. Volunteer licensure to be valid for specific programs and locations;
 - c. Applicants for volunteer licensure shall have had all their professional licenses in good standing at the time of their retirement;
 - d. Remove history of professional discipline as a disqualification.

The Board will make its suggestions to the Board's sponsor, Representative James E. Kennedy.

b. Rule Proposals

- 1) Rules 2007-II (fees)-in process – relevant to Board fees.

- 2) Rules 2008-I – being drafted.
- 3) Sedation Rule Amendments – May be included in 2008-I.
2. Biennial Registration Forms – The Board approved the forms as amended.
3. Radiograph Quality – The Board will inform dentists that they must include, when relevant, diagnostic radiographs or the best copies available when responding to the Board about complaints.
4. Workforce Survey – The Board voted to ask the “Coalition for New Hampshire Oral Health Action” for a copy of the workforce survey they wish to send to all dentists.
5. Biennial Information Letter – The Board voted to approve the draft of the letter to be sent with the 2008 dentist registration.
6. Informational
 - a. Conscious Sedation Training
 - b. UCLA
 - c. AADE Editorial
 - d. AADE Mid-year meeting
 - e. Donated Dental Services
 - f. Examiners Advisory Forum
 - g. National Board Vacancies
 - h. International College of Dentists

QUALIFICATION AND LICENSURE

1. Public Health Programs

The Board voted to accept the annual report of the following program:

Frisbee Memorial Hospital School Dental Program (05-06)
Frisbee Memorial Hospital School Dental Program (06-07)
Coos County Family Health Services

2. Hygiene Applications Approved

Martha J. Thomas, RDH

3. Dental Applications Approved.

Mary-Louise B. Leblanc, DMD
Lawrence L. Mauro, Jr., DMD
Sajini S. Shetty, DMD

4. Inactive to Active Approvals

Elias M. Malouf, DMD
Swaroop C. Seetaram, DMD

Members of the Board voted unanimously unless otherwise indicated.

Members of the Board voted unanimously to go into non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct, noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3 and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

Raymond J. Jarvis, DMD
Executive Secretary